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Dear Mr. Stacey

There is a growing freshwater crisis throughout the world. There is drought in Spain , Australia and many third world countries. We have not seen the effects in Conn. And we need to make sure we never do. While climate change may change our temperature to that of Virginia's , loosing fresh water would have an even more drastic effect .

There are classic examples throughout the world where farmers or businesses have diverted river water and have been forced to start tapping ground water (using our children's water) when rivers run dry.

Prompted by the Shepaug River court case , the Conn. Legislature in 2005 required statewide standards for water flow in rivers. . Conn. DEP has written proposed regulations in response to the law. This the first science based effort to protect water flows in every state river .

We must delete a category 4 for our waters . No rivers or streams are disposable.

Respectfully Yours

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